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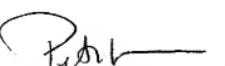
Sir:

In response to the Final Action dated March 14, 2008 and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.121, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendment for entry in the above-identified case.

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